

WHEATLAND FIRE AUTHORITY

Invites applications for

FIRE CHIEF



ABOUT THE WHEATLAND FIRE AUTHORITY

The Wheatland Fire Authority was formed in 2006 as a Joint Powers Authority combining the Wheatland Volunteer Fire Department and the Plumas Brophy Fire District. Through the agreement, the Fire Authority provides all fire and life safety services to both jurisdictions.

The Wheatland Fire Authority provides emergency response to fires, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, specialized rescue incidents and other requests for services. The Fire Authority also provides public education, emergency preparedness planning and fire prevention services.



The Fire Authority responds from three fire stations. The Fire Chief is supported by a full-time Fire Captain, 29 Paid Call Firefighters, 15 Firefighter Interns and one part-time clerical position with an annual budget of \$430,000. The Fire Authority uses a combination of staffing methods to provide 24/7 coverage of one engine company each day. In 2009, the Fire Authority responded to 679 calls for service.



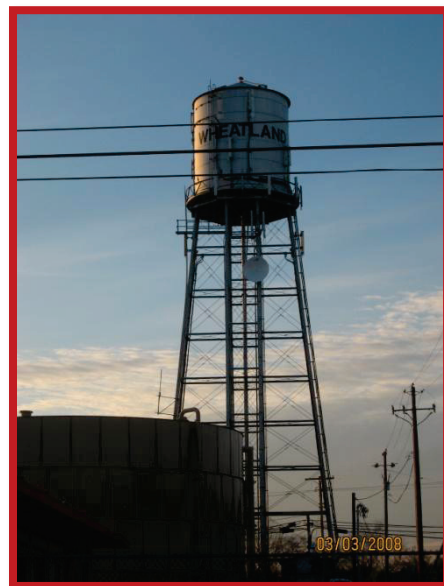
Fire apparatus includes 4 Type 1 engines, 4 Type 3 engines, 2 type 1 water tenders, a Type 2 rescue, a command vehicle and a utility truck.

The Fire Authority is an active participant in both auto and mutual aid agreements in the local area, the region and statewide. The Authority also enjoys excellent working relationships with all neighboring fire agencies in Yuba County.

THE COMMUNITIES SERVED

The service area of the Wheatland Fire Authority is located in southern Yuba County and borders Placer, Sutter and Nevada counties. The area is located near the California Gold Country and has a rich historical background. The service area covers over 90 square miles, includes the City of Wheatland and protects about 9000 residents. The area includes many land use types, including tract homes, estates and ranches, mixed use commercial, a significant wildland interface and open rural farmland. The Authority protects several popular tourist destinations including Camp Far West Lake, Spenceville Wildlife Area and Sleep Train Amphitheatre. The area has a strong sense of community, enjoys its rural, small town feel and is very supportive of its public safety services.

The Wheatland area is within driving distance to dining, regional shopping areas, the City of Sacramento, the California Gold Country and numerous recreational activities.



THE POSITION



The Fire Chief is accountable to the Wheatland Fire Authority Board of Directors for the administration, management and efficient operations of all Fire Authority resources. The Fire Chief is responsible for command and control of all personnel and activities of the Fire Authority related to the protection of life and property in its service area.

The Fire Chief has the responsibility and authority to plan, direct and implement policy in order to properly carry out the mission of the Fire Authority and respond to the needs of a large service area.

The Fire Chief is also required to respond to emergencies as necessary and assume incident command operations or serve as agency liaison with other fire service agencies.

The Fire Chief vacancy comes from the service retirement of its current Chief after serving two years in Wheatland and 32 years in the Fire Service.

QUALIFICATIONS

The Fire Authority is seeking a Fire Chief who is willing to be a "hands-on", innovative leader who can mentor and motivate fire personnel, set goals and objectives for the organization and maintain or develop positive relationships with other agencies and the Board of Directors.

The ideal candidate must have at least ten years of progressive experience in a public fire agency including three years at the Battalion Chief rank or higher. Must also have documented experience in the major functions of fire department administration and management.

The Fire Authority will consider a combination of education and experience that provides the best possible person for the position. Examples of education include Associate or Bachelor degrees in fire science, fire or public administration and other related curriculum. Fire Officer, Chief Officer and other state certifications or Chief Officer designations are highly desirable.

COMPENSATION

Salary package is dependent upon qualifications. The Fire Authority offers a Kaiser health plan, 10 paid holidays, vacation leave and sick leave. The Fire Authority is not a CalPERS agency at this time.

APPLICATION PROCESS

If you are interested in a career with the Wheatland Fire Authority, please send an official Fire Authority employment application packet, a letter of interest, a resume and five professional references to:

Mr. Steve Wright, City Manager
City of Wheatland
111 C Street
Wheatland, CA 95692
(530) 633-2761

Filing Deadline will be 5:00p.m. on April 23, 2010